

Store Open Every Week Night till Christmas

DRYSDALE'S

The Christmas Store

is bright with worthy merchandise and gay with decorations that breathe the spirit of the season.



Special Christmas Sale in the Cloak Store

A straight price-cut upon almost everything in the department right now on the very threshold of winter is worthy at least a visit of inspection.

- All Tailored Suits at **1-3 off**
- All Coats and Capes at **1-3 off**
- All Dress and Storm Skirts at **1-3 off**
- All Rain Coats at **1-3 off**
- All Silk, Wool and Cotton Waists at **1-3 off**
- All Children's Coats and Dresses at **1-3 off**

New Furs

A choice line opened up this week—just in time for gift-buyers.

BENNINGTON'S
BUSIEST STORE

NORTH BENNINGTON

There are several cases of whooping cough in the village.

H. S. Walbridge was in New York City a few days last week.

Miss Gertrude Shepard left Monday for her school in Arlington.

About thirty girls are employed in the finishing room of the Superior knitting company at present and new hands are being taken in every day.

Ernest DeLong was in North Adams Thursday.

Mrs C. J. McKay who has been with her daughter, Mrs G. B. Weiling a few weeks, has returned to her home in Brooklyn, taking with her, her grandson, Edward T. Weiling.

Mrs Josephine Jackson has returned from Virginia.

Mr and Mrs Matthews were called to Rutland last week by the serious illness of Mr Matthew's grandmother.

The Bachelor club served an oyster supper in their rooms Friday evening. Several invited guests were present.

Arthur Bassett is visiting in Bridgeport, Conn.

A. H. Cushman expects to leave soon for Eaglewood, Ill., where he will open a new office for the H. T. Cushman manufacturing company.

Miss Bertha Tozer is at her home for a few weeks. The school in Middle-town Springs where she is employed, is closed until after the holidays.

Mr and Mrs R. B. Tozer were in Manchester one day last week, where he officiated at a wedding.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Baptist church will give an oyster supper and entertainment in the church parlors Friday evening, Dec. 11th. All who attend are promised their moneys worth and a good time thrown in.

At the annual convocation of Tucker chapter, No. 38, O. E. S., on Friday evening, the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year: Miss Lot is E. Mattison, worthy matron; J. Francis Allison, worthy patron; Miss Laura B. Mosher, associate matron; Mrs Andrew Ashton, secretary; Mrs G. S. Mattison, treasurer; Mrs Herbert Walbridge, conductress; Miss Florence Woodhull, associate conductress. The W. M. has made the following appointments: Mrs Edward White, warden; Mrs W. R. White, chaplain; Francis Rice, marshal; Arthur Mattison, sentinel; Mrs J. F. Allison, Adah; Mrs Francis Rice, Ruth; Miss Erin Mattison, Esther; Mrs Myra Endress, Martha; Miss Mattie Center, Electa; H. F. Lamb, organist. The officers will be installed at the next regular convocation by Mrs Helen C. Cole, district deputy G. M.

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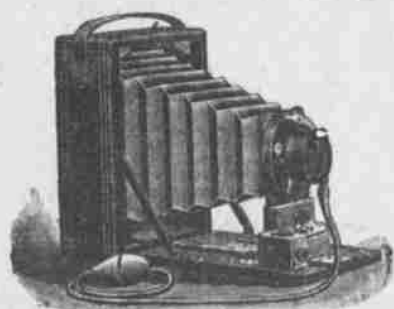
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Ten Companies,
All Of Them Good

The old reliable Vermont Mutual, the best Home insurance

Rates Low and Protection Absolute

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KODAK

Appropriate for a Christmas present to anybody. Home portraits—flashlights—winter landscapes. Photography is delightful in the winter season.

KODAKS \$5 to \$15
Brownie Kodaks \$1 & \$2

W. L. GOKAY - Druggist
417 Main St.

BENNINGTON BRIEFS.

News of the Town and Village Told Briefly For Busy Readers

It is said that we have had 17 days of cold freezing weather.

Preparations are being made in the schools to celebrate Christmas. More announcements later.

Mrs Furness and Dea. Safford were elected delegates to attend the Sunday school convention in Bennington.

Miss Nellie Kehoe is at present quite poorly and unable to continue her work. Miss Kehoe is staying at Mrs A. R. Brown's.

The ice man is at work this early, and some fine ice is reported to have been cut. Some of the blocks were eight inches thick.

EAST RUPERT

Mrs Robinson and son Charlie are moving to Manchester Depot having purchased a residence there. We shall miss Mrs Robinson as she has been a life long resident here and has been Post Mistress for many years. Mrs Frost takes her place.

Mrs Chas Robinson is home again after spending several weeks with her parents in West Granville.

Mr Carhart, pastor of Dorset church called upon several people to day.

Pianos seem to be the rage here now several have already purchased and others are contemplating doing so.

The winter term of school commenced to day with Miss Youngs of Pawlet as teacher.

Mrs Robert Corbit of Hoosick Falls is spending a few days with her parents Mr and Mrs Thomas Lobin.

There were quite a number in town Saturday to attend the auction at Mrs Robinsons.

Mr Vail of Rupert has been spending a few days with his sister Mrs Henry Towsley.

WANTED—Young man or lady to do house to house advertising. Nothing to sell, good pay. Address R. Bennington Banner.

FOR SALE—Two new milch cows, 6 years old, one Jersey two E. Davis near Haynes Corners, Bennington, Vt.

FOR SALE.

A large heavy six hole (9 in x 8) Cooking Range, with reservoir and high double warming closets. For either coal or wood. Suitable for lumber camp or large kitchen.
W. A. Root, 121 South St., Bennington.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of North Bennington, Vt. will be held at their banking rooms on Tuesday, the fifth day of January, 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other proper and necessary business.
S. R. HALL, Cashier.
North Bennington, December 3, 1903.

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Bennington, Vt., Dec. 8, 1903.

HAPPINESS DEPENDS ON YOUR STOMACH

People well fed are less likely to be miserable than hungry folks. A. C. LaMarre & Co. have the largest line of standard and fancy

GROCERIES

to be found in Southern Vermont.

Canned Goods, Teas and Coffees.
Spices, Pickles.

Everything for the Holiday table.

A. C. LaMarre & Co.
OPERA HOUSE BLOCK

Important to All!

On Friday, Dec. 11, 1903, from 7 to 8 p. m., we will sell for just one hour, all and every kind of

Ladies' 2.50 Shoes for 1.98
Only one pair to a customer.

BENNINGTON SHOE STORE

Bargains in Children's School Shoes TO-NIGHT.
Hawks Block, Main St. Opp. M. E. Church

DRESSING GOWNS.....

Most men like to off with their day coat and shoes and don a loose comfortable house coat or dressing gown and slippers.

There's a cozy, home-like feeling about a house coat and it saves your business coat.

We have a few dressing gowns left. Price **\$5.00**

Chas. G. Cole
OUTFITTER TO MEN

STORE OPEN EVERY WEEK NIGHT DURING DECEMBER



HOOSICK, N. Y.

Master Joseph Potter is ill with typhoid fever. Dr Donnelly attends.

Mrs Albert Russell and two daughters of Hoosick Falls spent the day with her sister, Mrs C. B. Potter Friday.

Mr and Mrs John McKeon of Hoosick Falls spent Sunday with his father Edward McKeon.

Hildred Babcock is slowly convalescing from her serious illness.

Mr and Mrs Fred Armstrong will move to Hoosick Falls soon.

George Armstrong of Troy spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs Florence Armstrong.

James Cathcart and Joseph McLucas of Walloomsac were at C. H. Potter's Saturday.

Mr and Mrs Clarence Whalen of Savoy, Mass., spent a few days with E. Sullivan.

Lawrence McGraw of Stamford spent last week at T. H. Sullivan's his uncle.

Elmer E. Baker spent last week with Mrs Mary Baker.

The Baptist Sunday school will have a Christmas tree on Wednesday night Dec. 23, 1903.

The L. A. M. will meet with Mrs W. S. Corns, Friday afternoon.

The Junior Auxiliary are laying a hard wood floor in the church hall.

Miss Ellen Crandall was leader of the Christian Endeavor meeting Sunday evening.

Master Jay Slade was leader of the Junior Endeavor meeting.

Miss Nellie Sanders is home at Bennington for a few days.

Mrs A. C. Myers is on the sick list. Lionel Sherwood of Lebanon was in town, Saturday.

Deacon William Brant is slowly convalescing.

Miss Fannie Howe is on the sick list.

Mrs Dennis Dragon and two children who have been sick with typhoid fever are convalescing.

CIGARS

Make a most acceptable Holiday present for a man. We sell the best.

BENNINGTON CIGAR CO.
423 MAIN STREET

OPEN EVERY WEEK DAY EVENING UNTIL 10 O'CLOCK

H. ROSIER & CO.

..... PURCHASES DELIVERED FREE

ASTOUNDING VALUES IN Fur Scarfs for Xmas

Actual Reductions as Follows

Isabelle Fox Stole, trimmed with 8 fox tails and silk girdle; \$13.50 value,	Black Near Seal Pelerine, 80 inches long, 2 large tails; \$3.50 value,
\$10.50	\$2.75
Black Bear Stole, silk lined, length 80 inches, trimmed with 6 fur tails and silk girdle; \$11.39 value,	Belgian Hare Stole, trimmed with 4 tails and silk ornaments; \$4.98 value,
\$8.75	\$4.25
Silver Gray Hair Stole, length 68 inches, lined with white squirrel, trimmed with 6 tails and silk girdle; \$8.00 value;	Black Coney Pelerine, 72 inches long, 8 tails and silk girdle; \$3.98 value,
\$7.00	\$3.25
Sable Fox Pelerine, length 88 inches, finished with 8 tails and tail trimmed, silk girdle; \$10.00 value,	Black Hair Pelerine, 88 inches long, 8 fox tails and silk girdle; \$4.98 value,
\$8.50	\$3.98
Sable Fox Stole, length 78 inches, finished with 6 fox tails and tail trimmed, silk girdle; \$12.50 value,	Black Coney Stole, 66 inches long, 6 fox tails and silk girdle; \$5.98 value,
\$10.00	\$4.75
Black Seal Stole, length 90 inches, finished with tail trimmed silk girdle; \$9.25 value,	Black Near Seal Stole, XXXX, 80 inches long, 2 large fox tails, tail trimmed silk girdle; \$9.00 value,
\$7.25	\$7.00
Stone Marten Stole, length 72 inches, satin lined, finished with 4 tails and tail trimmed silk girdle; \$9.00 value,	Grey and Black Stole, 86 inches long, silk lined, finished silk girdle, tail trimmed; \$13.50 value;
\$7.00	\$10.00
Black Coney Stole, 72 inches long, 6 tails and tail trimmed silk girdle; \$6.75 value,	Black Coney Pelerine, 78 inches long, 10 tails; \$2.98 value,
\$5.50	\$2.25
	Black Coney Scarf, finished with 6 tails; \$1.50 value,
	\$1.00

HOLIDAY ASSORTMENTS COMPLETE

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